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Easterling, Deborah

From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 1:01 PM
To: 'Lavinia'
Subject: RE: Uber

Dear Lavinia Rizvi,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2014-372-T and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
Administrative Coordinator

-----Original Message-----

From: Lavinia [<mailto:white.winter.moon@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 10:54 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Cc: _RegStaff - Complaints Distribution Group
Subject: Uber

RECEIVED
JAN 23 2015
10:10 AM

To the South Carolina Public Service Commission,

I heard the news today that you issued a cease and desist order to Uber, and I would like to express how grave a mistake that choice was. I am a student, and like most college students, I do not have ample money or time. I moved here from DC, where Uber has quickly become a popular means of transportation for those wishing to reach an area away from public transport, or at a time when public transport is unavailable. Like many, I was skeptical of Uber at first, worried about being in a car with someone that didn't have a taxi license, but all of my many experiences now with Uber have been nothing but positive. Uber is continuing to improve safety measures with background checks and screenings, as well as feedback systems that allow riders to readily see the experiences of others with potential drivers. What I have found is that not only is Uber safe, but the ease of use, cost, and speed in calling a pickup has greatly increased public safety—I have many times been able to convince friends who have been drinking to take Ubers instead of driving, where a conventional taxi would be too expensive and take too long to arrive. I have called a conventional taxi in Charleston twice, and both times I was made to wait 20+ minutes for arrival. One of those times I was in an unsafe situation, and could have benefitted from the ready availability of Uber drivers, for which the wait is generally less than five minutes in the peninsula.

Despite what your Commission seems to believe, Uber and other car sharing services are going to have a strong role in the future of transportation. I understand the concern for the sake of cab companies, but the demand for faster, cheaper, easier ridesharing is here. Refusing it is akin to banning railways for the sake of carriage drivers: misguided, and out of date.

Hoping you will reconsider, and wishing you all the best.
Lavinia M. Rizvi

Easterling, Deborah

From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 1:01 PM
To: 'Matt Boose'
Subject: RE: Keep Uber in SC!

Dear Mr. Boose,

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Administrative Coordinator

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From: Matt Boose [<mailto:boosemj@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 10:54 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Cc: _RegStaff - Complaints Distribution Group
Subject: Keep Uber in SC!

Charleston citizens want to keep it.

Sent from my iPhone

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Easterling, Deborah

From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 1:01 PM
To: 'Kathy Pozgar'
Subject: RE: Uber

Dear Ms. Pozgar,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2014-372-T and will be posted on our website under this docket.

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Administrative Coordinator

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From: Kathy Pozgar [<mailto:kathypozgar@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 10:53 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Cc: _RegStaff - Complaints Distribution Group
Subject: Uber

We have the right to choose!

Sent from my iPad

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Easterling, Deborah

From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 1:00 PM
To: 'Joe Waters'
Subject: RE: Uber

Dear Mr. Waters,

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From: Joe Waters [<mailto:watersjp@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 10:51 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Cc: _RegStaff - Complaints Distribution Group
Subject: Uber

I'm very disappointed in this week's Uber decision. Über is a tremendous business that is disrupting the status quo to the benefit of consumers. I hope this decision will soon be reversed to allow this business to operate in South Carolina.

Joe Waters
Greenville

Sent from my iPhone. Cell: 864.350.2894

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Easterling, Deborah

From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2015 1:04 PM
To: 'Kathi Knier'
Subject: RE: UBER!!!

Dear Kathi and John Knier,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for processing. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2014-372-T and will be posted on our website under this docket.

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Deborah Easterling
Administrative Coordinator

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From: Kathi Knier [<mailto:kknier@carolina.rr.com>]
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2015 11:03 PM
To: PSC_Contact
Cc: _RegStaff - Complaints Distribution Group
Subject: UBER!!!

We are angry and disappointed the PSC is attempting to discontinue the operations of Uber. As the parents of two USC students who rely on Uber to provide safe, affordable rides, we urge you to keep Uber running. The service and cost is far superior to that of cabs in the state and elsewhere!

Kathi and John Knier

Sent from my iPhone

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